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C O N F I D E N T I A L BUCHAREST 2609

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: RO US OVIP (CEAUSESCU, NICOLAE)  
SUBJ: CEAUSESCU HOMECOMING REACTIONS  
REF: USUN NEW YORK 01488

1. ON DESCENDING FROM PLANE AT AIRPORT ARRIVAL CEREMONY  
APRIL 18, PRESIDENT AND MRS. CEAUSESCU GREETED MY WIFE AND  
ME (THIRD IN LINE BEHIND PRIME MINISTER MANESCU AND PARTY  
SECRETARY BOBU AND WIVES) MUCH MORE WARMLY THAN ON DEPARTURE.  
PRESIDENT RESPONDED TO OUR GREETING WITH COMMENT THAT VISIT  
HAD BEEN A VERY GOOD ONE. WHVOE#CEAUSESCUS WENT ROUND ASSEMBLED  
CROWD, MADAME MANESCU SAID VISIT HAD BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL AND  
FRUITFUL; SHE NOTED PRESIDENT CARTER'S FRANKNESS AND DIRECT-  
NESS HAD BEEN APPRECIATED; I REPLIED THAT THIS REFLECTED  
GOOD STATE OF OUR RELATIONS. ON WALK BACK (WITH PRIME  
MINISTER) TO AIRPORT BETWEEN PHALANXES OF GREETERS, PRESIDENT  
REPEATED THAT VISIT HAD GONE VERY WELL INDEED, AND SHOULD  
PERMIT US TO MOVE ON TO DO MANY MORE THINGS TOGETHER. I SAID  
IT WAS MY HOPE IT HAD RAISED RELATIONS TO A NEW LEVEL.

2. FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER OPREA, OVERHEARD IN RECEIVING LINE  
WITH FIRST DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER VERDET, TOLD LATTER TRIP HAD BEEN  
"LOVELY," AND SEEMED GENERALLY EBULLIENT. IN FINAL CONVERSATION  
WITH CHIEF OF STATE PROTOCOL DIRECTOR ECOBESCU AS CARS PULLED OUT, I  
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SAID I HOPED THAT EXCEPT FOR HYMN MIXUP ARRANGEMENTS HAD GONE  
WELL, AND HE REPLIED "EXCEPT FOR HYMN AND FOR NEW YORK," WHERE  
DEMONSTRATIONS HAD BEEN DISCONCERTING; HE WAS ONLY THANKFUL  
FOR CONTAINMENT MEASURES U.S. SIDE HAD TAKEN. HOWEVER,  
CEAUSESCU HIMSELF REFLECTED NO UNHAPPINESS IN COMMENTS TO ME.  
SIMONS

NOTE BY OC/T: # AS RECEIVED.

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